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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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This declaration is of the following type:

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

ION EXCHANGE PAD OR BRUSH AND METHOD OF REGENERATING THE SAME

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification of which:

[X	[]	is attached hereto
[]	was filed, under Serial No, executed on even date
		herewith; or
[]	Express Mail No (as Serial No. not yet known) and was amended or
-	-	(if applicable)
٢	1	was described and claimed in PCT International Application No filed or
-		and as amended under PCT Article 19 on

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56,

and which is material to the examination of this application; namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

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PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §119)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than

the United States of America or of any United States Provisional Application(s) listed below, and have also						
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designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter						
having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.						

No such applications have been filed.

[X] Such applications have been filed as follows:

A. Prior foreign/PCT/provisional application(s) filed within 12 mos. (6 mos. for design) prior to this application, and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. § 119

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Priority Claimed
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B. All foreign application(s), if any, filed more than 12 mos. (6 mos for design) prior to this U.S. application

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No such applications have been filed

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